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## SENATE BILL 1916

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4; Title 43 and Title 63, relative to prohibiting adverse administrative action against health care professionals.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) The board shall not take any adverse action against a podiatrist's license based solely on the podiatrist's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.
- (b) The board shall not take any adverse action against the license of a podiatrist who is authorized to issue prescriptions based solely on the podiatrist's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against a chiropractor's license based solely on the chiropractor's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 5, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against a dentist's license based solely on the dentist's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against a physician's license based solely on the physician's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 7, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) The board shall not take any adverse action against the license of a certified nurse practitioner or advance practice nurse based solely on the certified nurse practitioner's or advance practice nurse's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.
- (b) The board shall not take any adverse action against the license of a registered nurse based solely on the registered nurse's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 8, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) The board shall not take any adverse action against an optometrist's license based solely on the optometrist's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.
- (b) The board shall not take any adverse action against the license of an optometrist who is authorized to issue prescriptions based solely on the optometrist's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 9, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against an osteopathic physician's license based solely on the osteopathic physician's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 10, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against a pharmacist's license based solely on the pharmacist's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 13, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against an occupational therapist's license based solely on the occupational therapist's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 13, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board shall not take any adverse action against a physical therapist's license based solely on the physical therapist's recommending or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 19, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board and the committee shall not take any adverse action against a physician assistant's license based solely on the physician assistant's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 19, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The board and the committee shall not take any adverse action against an orthopedic physician assistant's license based solely on the orthopedic physician

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assistant's recommending, prescribing, or marketing products derived from industrial hemp, as defined in § 43-26-102.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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